



# TROY CITY VIEW

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Greetings,

Welcome to the Troy City View. This newsletter reflects our city's ongoing efforts to communicate with our citizens in Troy and to inform you of the various aspects and ongoing events of our City. I hope you find this as a very useful tool in your planning.

Sincerely,

Michael L. Beamish, Mayor

## **Business FIRST!** for a Greater Dayton Region

Is your company growing, facing challenges or new opportunities? A one-on-one visit with a **BusinessFirst!** Outreach Specialist could help you get linked to the resources you need.

Troy **BusinessFirst!**, in partnership with Montgomery County, was created to assist local businesses stay local by giving them a single point of contact for a wide range of assistance that is available from local, county, regional, state and federal organizations (e.g. workforce, financing, I.T., strategic planning, etc.).

The **BusinessFirst!** program uses a customer-oriented approach to economic development designed to link business to resources in the community. The **BusinessFirst!** team is a coordinated group of approximately 80 government agencies, development organizations and non-profit corporations that support the growth and retention of businesses in the Greater Dayton Region.

To learn more, or to set up a **BusinessFirst!** visit, call the Troy Economic Development Department at (937) 339-9601.

## Pet Owner's Responsibilities

The Troy Police Department is asking pet owners to be responsible and aware of the laws regarding their pets. We often respond to calls involving pets that can be avoided with more understanding by pet owners. Please be aware of and follow these existing regulations:

- ❖ Animals cannot be allowed to run at large. They must be confined to the owner's property or under their control while off of the property at all times.
- ❖ When walking dogs, the owner is responsible to clean up after their pet. This especially applies to parks, sporting fields, and other public areas as well.
- ❖ Certain breeds are, by ordinance, vicious animals and the owner must carry insurance to cover potential bites or other problems. The Pit Bull Terrier is one example of these breeds.
- ❖ All dogs must be licensed and have appropriate vaccinations. Owners should be able to provide evidence of these items if necessary. Licenses can be obtained from the Miami County Auditor's Office.
- ❖ Animals cannot be tethered or penned continuously or without adequate food, water, shelter, or exercise space. In extreme weather conditions they should be taken inside. Failure to do so is considered cruelty to animals.
- ❖ Remember that dogs are domesticated and social animals and periods of confinement without interaction can bring about behavior problems that present risks to the owner and neighbors.

The Miami County Animal Shelter or Troy Police Officers can cite for these violations and will respond to complaint calls as necessary. Fines for these offenses including court cost can be \$100 or more per violation.

## City of Troy Vision Statement, Mission Statement, and Values Statement

**VISION:** The City of Troy will expand its reputation as a family-oriented, vibrant, and financially, sustainable community focused on a diversity of economic development, educational opportunities, and high quality of life for its citizens, businesses, and visitors.

**MISSION:** Through sound and prudent leadership,

the City of Troy is committed to sustaining its continued prominence as a regional hub by providing a well-balanced community for its residents, businesses and visitors, consisting of a vibrant downtown, growing economic base, strong educational environment, and plentiful recreational opportunities strengthened by public

/private cooperation and grounded in financial stability.

**VALUES:** The City of Troy values (in no particular order): Ethical Behavior; Respect; Honesty; Integrity; Accountability; Fiscal Prudence; Partner-ships; High Quality Service Delivery; and Transparency.

# CITY CALENDAR

## Your Tax Dollars at Work

### MARCH, 2008

3	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
4	Park Board	11 a.m.
12	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
17	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
20	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
26	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

### APRIL, 2008

1	Joint Recreation and Park Board Meeting	11 a.m.
7	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
9	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
17	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
21	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
23	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

### MAY, 2008

5	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
6	Park Board	11 a.m.
14	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
15	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
19	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
26	Memorial Day Holiday City Offices Closed (Refuse collection delayed one day all week)	
28	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

### JUNE, 2008

2	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
3	Park Board	11 a.m.
6,7,8	Strawberry Festival-Bed Races. Parade, Levee Activities	
11	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
16	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
19	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
25	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

NOTE: All meetings are held at Troy City Hall,  
100 South Market Street, unless otherwise designated.

## 2008 CITY COUNCIL SPRING MEETING DATES

Troy City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of every month, unless a Monday holiday requires rescheduling the meeting to Tuesday. All meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 South Market Street.

The agenda for each meeting is posted on the City's website: [www.troyohio.gov/meetingnotices/agenda.html](http://www.troyohio.gov/meetingnotices/agenda.html), as well as at City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings with their input. The following schedule is provided as a handy reminder of the City Council meetings planned for this spring.

Monday, March 3	Monday, March 17
Monday, April 7	Monday, April 21
Monday, May 5	Monday, May 19
Monday, June 2	Monday, June 16

### ARCHER DRIVE

Reconstruction of Archer Drive from Peters to Brukner is underway and should be completed in early summer. The construction is being done by Finfrock Construction. The project consists of new curb, storm sewers and asphalt. The roadway is expected to stay open during construction. The bid for the project is \$355,480.00 and is funded in part from a grant from the Oho Public Works Commission.

### SIDEWALK PROGRAM PHASE 6

Sidewalks in the fourth Ward will be marked to be included in the 6th phase of the city's sidewalk program. If you notice your sidewalk marked with a red "x", you can expect notification of the process about six (6) weeks later.

### STANFIELD ROAD AT SR 41

A dedicated right-hand turn lane will be constructed at the Stanfield - SR 41 (W. Main Street) intersection. The construction, being performed by L.J. DeWeese Company, is expected to start in the spring and should be completed before the end of summer. Those that use this intersection may see some lane closures during construction. The project will involve constructing a dedicated lane, moving the traffic signal and providing space for pedestrian crossing. The bid for the project is \$105,780.45.

### MCKAIG ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Improvements are being designed on McKaig Road from Cartwright Court to SR 718. These improvements include curb and gutter, catch basins, and sidewalk. The majority of the work will be along the north side of the roadway. This project is scheduled to begin construction in the summer of 2008, is budgeted to cost \$981,000, and will be partially funded by Ohio Public Works Commission grant funds.

### STORM WATER UTILITY

The City of Troy has enacted a stormwater management fee that is being used to finance the unfunded mandates that the Federal government is requiring. The fee will cover many activities such as reporting and monitoring from outfalls as well as repairs and improvements to the storm water system. A service charge of \$3.50 per month is being applied to all residential properties within the City of Troy. Businesses and other non-residential properties will be charged an amount based on the amount of hard surface they have. The fee will be included on the water and sewer bill. The first bill with the charges was mailed out in late February. Credits are available for non-residential properties under specific conditions.

For more information about the program, please contact the Engineering Office at (937) 339-2641.

## WHEN TO CALL 9-1-1

The Troy Police Department would like to remind citizens to use the 911 system any time they have a situation that should be addressed immediately involving police, fire, or EMT, or if they need to speak to a police officer right away. This is much different than other areas which use the 911 system for extreme emergencies only. The police and fire departments do have non-emergency numbers that can be used to contact administration or individuals but you may not get an immediate response to any message that you leave. The police department also has a recorded tip line for citizens who wish to leave information anonymously or to be called back. This line is not monitored 24 hours each day so if there is something urgent that needs immediate attention please dial 911.

# New Property Maintenance Regulations in Effect

On December 3, 2007 City Council amended Section 521.08 of the Codified Ordinances regarding litter on public/private property. The ordinance became effective on January 2, 2008, and allows the City of Troy to remove litter and assess costs, including a 20% administrative fee, against the land. Assessments will be sent to the property owner with a deadline of ten (10) days for payment. If payment is not received in the specified time, the assessment will be placed against the property taxes of the land.

The allotted time for compliance is three (3) days from the time the violation notice is received. All violation notices must be sent by way of certified mail, which requires a signature from the receiving party. All mail returned as "unclaimed" will be sent as certificate of mailing to the property owner.

"Litter" is defined as garbage, junk, trash, waste, rubbish, ashes, cans, bottles, wire, paper, cartons, boxes, glass or anything else of an unsightly or unsanitary nature, or any substance which is or may become noxious, offensive, injurious or dangerous to the public health, comfort or safety.

Any questions regarding the new ordinance can be directed to the City of Troy Planning Department at (937) 339-9481.

## Troy Aquatic Park News

Summer will be here sooner than you think, and there will be no better place than the Troy Aquatic Park to seek relief from the summer heat.

### 2008 Admission Rates and Season Passes

#### ADMISSION RATES:

Age 60 +	\$4.00
19-59	\$5.00
6-18	\$4.50
3-5	\$2.00
2 & under	FREE

#### SEASON PASS RATES:

Family of 5 or less	\$190.00
Additional Members	\$ 10.00/each
Grandparent Pass	\$ 40.00/each
Adult	\$100.00
Students	\$ 76.00
Senior Citizens(60+)	\$ 76.00

Buy your membership by April 30, 2008 and take \$10.00 off.

## Troy Tidal Waves Swim Team

The Troy Tidal Waves Swim Team is for boys and girls ages 6 -18. Our Goal is to provide quality coaching and to give each child a positive swimming experience. The Troy Tidal Waves Swim Team participates in six league meets during the month of June and July. Participants must be able to swim one length of the swimming pool to register.

For more information please call Carrie Slater at 339-5145 or stop by the Troy Tidal Waves Open House Saturday May 3, 2008 at the Troy Aquatic Park 11 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The open house will be an opportunity for you to meet the coaches, answer questions and see the Troy Aquatic Park.

Registration begins April 2, 2008. Deadline to register is May 3. Registration fees: \$30.00 Troy Aquatic Park Season Pass Member \$40.00 Non Troy Aquatic Park Member \$50.00 Registration fee if registering after May 3, 2008, deadline. Call the Recreation Department at (937) 339-5145 or visit [www.troypool.com](http://www.troypool.com) for more information.

## HAPPENINGS AT HOBART ARENA



### SPRING INDOOR YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE

(ages 5 -10)

Spring Indoor Soccer League registrations began on February 9. Each week there will be 15 minutes of instruction followed by a 30 minute game. Games will be played cross rink/field 6 vs 6. Maximum of 32 participants accepted per age group per sex.

Deadline to register is March 22. Fee: \$30.00 (\$5.00 late fee after March 22).



### INTRODUCTION TO HOCKEY PROGRAM

This free program will have both a spring and summer session. The introduction to hockey program allows youth to participate and learn the fundamentals of hockey.

This program is for girls and boys who have never participated in an organized hockey program. An equipment rental program is available please call (937) 339-5145 for further information.

**Spring Session:** March 20 and 27 and April 3, 7:15-8:15 p.m., register by March 14

**Summer Session:** July 18 and 25 and August 1, 6:30-7:30 p.m., register by July 11



Register for these programs at the  
Troy Recreation Department,

or for more information please call (937) 339-5145.



## MIAMI VALLEY SILVERBACKS INDOOR FOOTBALL

The Miami Valley Silverbacks return to Hobart Arena. This year's schedule of six home games is as follows:

Saturday	March 15, 2008	7:30pm
Saturday	March 29, 2008	7:30pm
Saturday	April 12, 2008	7:30pm
Saturday	April 19, 2008	7:30pm
Friday	May 2, 2008	7:30pm
Friday	May 16, 2008	7:30pm

Purchase single game tickets online at [www.hobartarena.com](http://www.hobartarena.com) Or call (937) 339-2911. Adults are \$12.00 and youth 12 and under are \$6.00.

## Memorial Day Holiday

City Offices will be closed in observance of Memorial Day on Monday, May 26, 2008. Refuse collection will be delayed one day for the entire week.

# CITY CLIPS



**NEW FISCAL SUPERVISOR** The City of Troy welcomed **Michelle Jordan** as the new Fiscal Supervisor. Michelle replaces Dale Ridenour who retired on November 30, 2007. Michelle has 23 years of municipal tax and finance experience. Most recently, she was the Tax Administrator for the City of Trotwood since 2002. She also has worked for the cities of Springboro, Miamisburg, and Fairborn in similar capacities. We would like to welcome Michelle to the Troy Management Team and wish her Good Luck as Fiscal Supervisor.

**CITY OF TROY EMPLOYEE NEWS** The City of Troy would like to thank the following employees for their years of service and wish them well in their retirement: **Rod Cummings**, Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent; **Dale Ridenour**, Fiscal Supervisor; **Andy Potchek**, City Hall Custodian.

Congratulations to **Tom Parsons** on his promotion to Utilities Foreman. In his new position, Tom will be responsible for leading the Water Distribution and Sewer Maintenance functions for the City.

## City Income Tax Filing Deadline

The Troy Income Tax Department would like to remind all residents 18 years of age and older that filing a Troy Tax Return is required whether or not a tax is due. The tax return must be turned in by midnight on Tuesday, April 15, 2008. Only properly qualified residents who have filed a Certification Form may be exempt from the City's mandatory filing requirement. Any return filed after midnight on April 15 will be considered late and may incur a \$15 late fee plus penalties and interest.

Need help filling out the tax form? City staff is available to assist you. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. In addition to normal business hours, the Office will be open on Saturday April 5 and April 12 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Please file early. Those waiting until the last week to file their returns should expect long lines. Although there are three staff members available to walk-ins, many taxpayers bring multiple returns for staff to complete or have complicated tax problems during the final week. Before filing, make sure your current address is listed, the return is signed, and all supporting documents are enclosed.

Please visit Troy's website at [www.troyohio.gov](http://www.troyohio.gov) or call the Income Tax Department at (937) 339-3861 for additional assistance

# DIRECTORY OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor .....Michael L. Beamish  
President of Council .....Martha A. Baker  
Council Members by Ward:

1st Ward .....Thomas M. Kendall  
2nd Ward .....Thomas H. Kirkham  
3rd Ward .....John W. Schweser  
4th Ward .....Jarrod W. Harrah

Council Members At-Large:

.....Alan R. Clark  
.....Mark A. Douglas  
.....Frank L. Hutchinson

Director of Law .....Greg Dixon  
Auditor .....Richard L. Cultice  
Treasurer .....Edward L. Cox  
Director of Public Service & Safety

.....Patrick E. J. Titterington

Clerk of Council and Administrative Assistant

.....Sue G. Knight

Public Works Director .....Steven D. Leffel

Development Director .....James A. Dando, Jr.

Planning Director .....Mark S. Cundiff

Human Resources Director .....Thomas C. Funderburg

Recreation Director .....Kenneth E. Siler

Fiscal Supervisor .....Michelle M. Jordan

Fire Chief .....Christopher L. Boehringer

Police Chief .....Charles C. Phelps

Park Superintendent .....Timothy J. Mercer

Cemetery Superintendent .....Lewis J. Deeter

Director of Golf .....Kenneth D. Green

Information on how to contact City elected  
and appointed officials is available on the  
City of Troy website: [www.troyohio.gov](http://www.troyohio.gov).

## TROY CITY PROGRAMMING - CHANNEL 5

Watch for the Mayor's Report and the delayed broadcast of City Council Committee meetings and City Council meetings on Troy-Public Broadcasting, Channel 5.

**Mayor's Report** Monday - 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday - 10:30 a.m.; Thursday - 9:00 p.m.; Friday - 11:00 a.m.; Sunday - 7:30 p.m.

**City Council Meetings** Tuesday - 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Sunday - noon



**The City of Troy**

City Hall

100 S. Market St.

Troy, Ohio 45373

**Attention Web Surfers:** Have you visited the official website of the City of Troy?

If not, surf over to [www.troyohio.gov](http://www.troyohio.gov) and check us out. The site is full of useful information about the City as an organization, as well as the community.

The website changes regularly, so visit often to keep abreast of meeting dates, job openings and other useful information.

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